

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS06.145

**APPLICANT:** William E. Drew  
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Leoma, TN 38468  
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**LOCATION:** Dry Branch, tributary to Bluewater Creek near Leoma in Lawrence County 35.1014, 87.3571

**WATERSHED DESCRIPTION:** Land use is rural pastoral. Dry Branch has not been assessed for use support. Dry Branch is shown to be seasonally intermittent. Bluewater Creek has been assessed as fully supporting all classified uses.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The application involves repair of a breached earthen dam. The repair of the dam would impound Dry Branch to form a 15 surface acre lake. The purpose of the proposed activity is for private recreation and farm use. The dam is about 38' high with a base width of 200 feet and a top width of approximately 12 feet.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activity may result in degradation to water quality.

**PERMIT COORDINATOR:** Robert Baker

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation  
Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section  
7th Floor L & C Annex  
401 Church Street  
Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this

decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.



aerial photo dated 04/02/98

